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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 108—Relative to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 108, as introduced, Kehoe. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

This measure would proclaim June 2003 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Our great state and nation strive to promote the
- 2 egalitarian principles of equality and justice where all people have
- 3 inalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of
- 4 happiness; and
- 5 WHEREAS, California and America's diversity is one of our
- 6 greatest strengths; and
- WHEREAS, To achieve a just and fair society, we must teach
- 8 our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences,
- 9 and to recognize the common good in all of us; and

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WHEREAS, Our great state protects its residents from discrimination and harassment based on actual or perceived race, color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, physical or mental ability, medical condition, sex, including gender identity, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people have made important and lasting contributions to our great state and nation in every field of endeavor, including business, medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education, music, philanthropy, sports, arts, and culture that enrich our national life; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people come from all walks of life regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, economic status, physical or mental ability, medical condition, or sex, including gender identity; and

WHEREAS, While our great state and nation have come a long way in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and mutual respect for all, we still have a long way to go in eradicating the prejudice and discrimination that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people face; and

WHEREAS, To build a stronger and better state and nation, we must continue to advance the cause of equality for all people, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people; and

WHEREAS, Each year in June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans, their families and friends, and all those committed to justice and equality celebrate during the month of June the notable achievements and outstanding service that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans make to our great state and nation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California proclaims June 2003, as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month, and urges all residents to join in celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, and encourages the people of California to

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- work to advance the cause of equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual,
  and transgender people; and be it further
  *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
  of this resolution to the Members of the Legislature and to the
  author for appropriate distribution.